

Assemblymember Christine Kehoe



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Assemblymember Christine Kehoe, Speaker Pro Tem

More Bills Signed by the Governor

I am very pleased to announce that two more of my bills were recently signed into law by Governor Gray Davis. Assembly Bills 361 and 1551 both directly address local San Diego issues.

AB 361 is a measure to establish a consolidated regional planning agency in San Diego County to deal with traffic congestion, land use, sprawl and other quality of life issues. My bill provides a requirement for a public vote on adopting any significant changes to regional governance. The requirement of a public vote is essential if the regional planning agency and the decisions it makes about San Diego are to be fully embraced by all of our communities. It is important for San Diegans to be aware of the form of governance that makes key decisions about regional improvements that affect us all.

AB 1551 supports the creation of the San Diego Multi-use Biotechnology Training Center. This new training center will promote growth of the biotechnology and life science industry in San Diego. It will operate as a nonprofit organization and provide state of the art biotechnology training. The center will serve as an incentive to attract and retain biotech and life science companies in San Diego, ultimately creating more jobs for San Diegans.

To learn more about these and other bills, or to view the full text, you may visit www.leginfo.ca.gov and select the link to "bill information." You can use this site to search for legislation by bill number, author, or keyword.

Student Essay Contest for Fifth Graders

I am again sponsoring my annual essay contest. This year it is open to all fifth grade students in the 76th Assembly District.

The theme this year is for students to write a persuasive letter to their school principal, the editor of the local newspaper, or their local Assemblymember (that's me!) regarding an issue that is important to them. The contest starts on October 1 and ends by 5 p.m. November 26. There will be prizes for all students who submit an essay and grand prizes for the first, second, and third place winners. For more information please call my office or visit my web site at www.assembly.ca.gov/kehoe.

Come by my District Office

My office is located in the Uptown Shopping Center at 1010 University Avenue, Suite C-207. Always feel free to come by if you have questions or concerns. Some recent visitors at my office are pictured below:



From left to right: Eric Banks, Assemblymember Kehoe, Nancy Eakin, Laura Keller, and Vanessa Caballero.

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Episcopal Community Services Receives \$2 Million

This week I was happy to take part in the official presentation of \$2 million to the Episcopal Community Services (ECS). The donation was given to ECS by the Weingart Price and Hervey Family funds and will help ECS continue to provide extraordinary community services.

Since their establishment in 1927, ECS has assisted those who need a helping hand; from the homeless, to those with HIV and AIDS, to those who need guidance for employment, to our children and families. Congratulations to ECS on this jump-start for their Jubilee Endowment Campaign, and thank you to the Weingart Price and Hervey Family funds and everyone involved in the success of this organization.

To learn more about ECS, visit their home page at www.ecscalifornia.org



Assemblymember Kehoe assists in the presentation of the first \$1 million check. Also pictured are ECS HeadStart participants Zane Grey and Teresa Evans, Executive Director of ECS Rev. Amanda G. Rutherford May, and Matthew Hervey for the Hervey Family Fund.

Serra Mesa Community Council Member Recognized

I enjoyed attending Serra Mesa's Community Council last week and was pleased to present an Assembly Certificate of Recognition to Peggy Lacy, a member of the council. The certificate was to recognize Peggy's years of dedication to her community, the San Diego River, and Balboa Park. Thank you, Peggy, for all your hard work!

I am also looking forward to participating in the following upcoming community meetings:

October 15th - *Pacific Beach Town Council*
Taylor Library, 4275 Cass Street

October 16th - *Linda Vista Civic Association*
Linda Vista Recreation Center

October 22nd - *Ocean Beach Town Council*
Pacific Beach Recreation Center, 4276 Santa Monica

November 6th - *Clairemont Town Council*
Clairemont High School cafeteria, 4150 Ute Drive

November 19th - *Tierrasanta Community Council*
Tierrasanta Recreation Center, 11220 Clairemont Mesa Blvd.

More dates and locations to be announced!



Assemblymember Kehoe presents a certificate recognizing Peggy Lacy of Serra Mesa.

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